SENATE.

THURSDAY, January 16, 1851. The Senate met according to adjournment.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES. Mr. Barringer, from the committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported the bill to compensate the Clerk of the Public Treasurer for additional duties performed by him, and recommended its passage. Laid on the table.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on Internal Improvements, reported the bill for the improvement of Ship navigation in New River, and recommended its passage. Laid on the table.

Mr. Washington, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill upon the subject of admitting private pay pupils at the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and recommended its passage. Read first Judiciary.

M. Shepard, from the committee on Education and the Literary Fund, reported a bill on the subject of Indian Missions, and recommended its passage. Read first time.

M. Hoke, from the Judiciary committee, reported favorably the bill for the better administration of justice in Carteret County. Laid on the table. BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, &C. The bill to extend the jurisdiction of Justices of

the Peace in certain cases was read the second time. On motion of Mr. Shepard, said bill was amended, and it then passed-year 34, nays 11.

The bill for the promotion and encouragement of | manufactures in this State, was read the second time and rejected.

On motion of Mr. Lillington, the Senate took up the appeal heretofore made by him from the decision of the Chair, on the motion to reconsider a second Judiciary. time the vote by which the bill concerning the Wilmington and Manchester Rail Road Company was rejected; which decision was, that after a vote re-

sustained-yeas 23, nays 17. mode of dividing the proceeds of the Literary Fund, second reading. so as to distribute them according to white population. Said bill was rejected-yeas 13, nays 34.

ANTI-TARIFF RESOLUTIONS. On motion of Mr. Barringer, the Senate now proceeded to the consideration of the Preamble and Resolutions, heretofore introduced by him, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Southern States of the Union have long acquiesced in a revenue system on the part of the charter should be limited to four years. Federal Government, which it was believed would prothe North; and whereas, the advantages accuring to that part of the State, &c. section by this system have seemed only to increase the economical administration of the General Government. hays 78. 2d. Be it further Resolved, That a copy of the fore- Mr. Douthit moved an amendment to protect the going I reamble and Resolution be transmitted to each mill dams on the river, which was agreed to of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, with the request that they use their best efforts to carry out the principle herein set forth.

the Senate and unanimously adopted. On motion of Mr. Bower, the rule was suspended and said Preamble and Resolutions were read the

third time and ordered to be engrossed. On motion of Mr. Bower, Resolutions of a similar body by Mr. Erwin, were then taken up. The Pre- Leach of Davidson, passed its second reading. amble and Resolutions were then read as follows: since the formation of the Federal Government, fos- and made the order of the day for Saturday. tered and nourished the manufacturing and mining countries, which might come in competition with the | ders of W. productions of the labor and industry of the aforesaid generosity and self-sacrifice have been unappreciated \$100,000.

tution and property; therefore Resolved. That the State of North Carolina feels

Resolved, That if our own industry needs protection, tions, when the House took a recess. it can be better effected by State than by Congressional legislation.

Resolved, That the present tariff is high enough to administered government, and ought not to be in- sidered.

Resolved, That the foregoing Resolutions be transwith a request that they lay them before their respect rejected-year 38, nays 45. tive Houses, and with the further request that they manufacturing or mining interests of the free States, vailed. or which may have the effect to increase the cost to the Southern consumers of any of the products of

Pending the consideration of these Resolutions the favor of the Road. Senate took a recess.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M. The Senate re-assembled and resumed the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning, posed the passage of the bill. Without concluding, being the engrossed Resolutions from the Commons, against any further increase of Tariff duties.

The question being on the adoption of the first Resolution, Mr. Haughton moved to amend said Resolution by adding the following: " Except what may be absolutely necessary for an economical administration of the government." Rejected-yeas 17, nays 28.

The first Resolution then passed, as follows: YEAS-Messrs. Barnard, Barrow, Barringer, Berry, Hoke, Jones, Lillington, Malloy, Nixon, Richardson, mended its passage. Read first time. Pender, Rogers, Shepard, Sherod, Speight, Thomas, Mr. Woodfin, from the Judiciary committee, report-

Resolution was adopted as follows:

Bunting, Bynnin, G. W. Caldwell, Cameron, Clark, Mr. Joyner from the committee on Internal Im-

NAYS-Messrs. Arendell, Bond, T. R. Caldweil, Eborn, Gilmer, Grist, Haughton, Joyner, Kelly, Mr Washington, a bill to tax the sale of vehicles soms, Washington, Willey, and Woodfin-18.

YEAS-Messrs. Barrow, Berry, Bower, Bunting, to be enrolled. Bynum, G. W. Caldwell, Cameron, Canady, Clarke, On motion of Mr. Bower, the engrossed Resolu-Speight, Thompson, Watson, Willey, Williamson, third time and ordered to be enrolled.

Eborn, Gilmer, Grist, Haughton, Joyner, Kelly, Lane, Lillington, Malloy, Pender, Sessonis, Washington, and Woodfin-16.

The fourth Resolution was then adopted, as follows:

Bynum, G. W. Caldwell, Cameron, Canady, Clarke, Literary Board to loan three thousand dollars to the Collins, Drake, Ehorn, Gilmer, Grist, Hargrave, Clinton Female Institute-the bill for the better gov-Herring, Hester, Hoke, Jones, Kelly, Lillington, ernment of Elizabeth City-the bill to incorporate Malloy, Nixon, Richardson, Rogers, Shepard, Sherod, Gaston Chapter of Freemasons—the bill to incorpo-

The Preamble was then adopted by about the same

BILLS ON THEIR THIRD READING. The bill to amend the act incorporating the Greensborough and Mount Airy Turnpike Company-the hill empowering the County Courts of Stokes and Forsythe to appoint Superintendants of Common the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock. Schools-the bill to incorporate the Roanoke and

d to be engrossed.

The Senate then adjourned.
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

A message was received from the Senate transmit-State, which was referred to the committee on the engrossed. Mr. Webb moved that the bill to appoint tax gath-

erers for each county in the State, be taken up and rejected. made the order for tomorrow night at 7 o'clock. Lost. Mr. Williams of M., a bill providing for the incorporation of plank roads. Referred to the committee

Mr. Walton, a bill to restore trials by jury to the County Court of Burke. Read and laid on the table. Mr. Hayes of Cherokee, a resolution in favor of Jennings Pigott, which was referred to the commit-

tee on Claims. Mr. Fleming, a bill to lay off a Public Road in the county of Yancy. Read and laid on the table. On motion of Mr. Pigott, the House agreed that no

private bills should be introduced after Satur lay. Mr. Hill of N. H., a bill to amend the act of 1818, relating to the appointment of Magistrates in the town of Wilmington. Referred to the committee on the

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES. Mr. Rayner from the committee on Internal Improvements, reported in favor of the bill to open and and Waddell, which were read the first time and jecting a bill was once reconsidered, and the bill re- improve the road from Wilkesborough by Boone to jected a second time, a motion again to reconsider the Tennessee line, which bill was laid on the table. was not in order. The decision of the Chair was Also, in favor of the bill to incorporate the Western Plank Road Company; several amendments were of-

> Also, in favor of the bill to incorporate the Yadkin Navigation Company. Mr. Rayner offered an amendment that the charter should be void if not accepted in two years. Mr. McLean, Mr. Stevenson, Mr. Leach of Davidson, and

Mr. Caldwell of G., opposed the amendment. Finally it was agreed that the time for accepting the Mr. Gordon offered an amendment that the State mote the prosperity and independence of the country at should subscribe \$100,000 to said Company, when in New River, in the country of Onslow, was read challenge jurors; a bill to extend the right of appeal;

Mr. Gordon advocated the amendment at length. disposition and ability of the non-slaveholding States to and stated the importance of the amendment. Mr. persevere in their unconstitutional, unjust and funatical Mizell opposed it on the ground partly that the conaggressions upon the domestic institutions of the South : dition of the Finances of the State would not justify 1st. Be it therefore Resolved, That it is the true poli- the appropriation at this time. Mr. McLean replied ev of the slaveholding States henceforth to oppose any and advocated the bill. Mr. Caldwell of G. also ad- with the regular business. and all increase in the present rates of duty on foreign vocated the appropriation. Mr. Gordon replied to Mr.

The bill then passed its second reading.

The special order was then taken up, being the bill Said Preamble and Resolutions were then put to was read, when the hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, was agreed to. the House took a recess.

> 34 o'CLOCK, P. M. On motion of Mr. Fleming, the bill to repeal the

The consideration of the bill to incorporate the interests of the non-slaveholding States, by voting Raleigh and Gaston Railroad was resumed, the ques-

Mr. Kelly offered an additional amendment requiring second reading. non-slaveholding States; and whereas, these acts of the subscribers to subscribe the whole amount of

at the North, and the people of that section show a Mr. Stevenson spoke at length and opposed the disposition to make unceasing attacks upon our insti- reconstruction of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad. He opposed it as being a ruinous policy for the State of North Carolina. The State had invested \$2,000,000 herself under no further obligations, by the votes of in the Central Railroad, and now it would be suicidal her representatives in Congress or otherwise, to pro- to build up Virginia cities with it. It ought to be teet the "home industry" of the non-slaveholding constructed in such a way as to benefit her own towns. Mr. Saunders of W. replied to some of his posi-

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M. On motion of Mr. Cherry, the bill to lay, off a road afford sufficient revenue to carry on an economically from the Virginia line through Gap Civil, was recon-

Mr. McMillan moved to strike out \$1000 as the appropriation on the part of the State, and insert \$500, mitted to our members in both Houses of Congress, which amendment was adopted. The bill was then

Mr. Bridgers moved that the bill to facilitate the vote against any change in the present tariff laws collection of rents be reconsidered, and moved also that which may have the effect to protect or encourage the that motion be laid on the table, which motion pre-

On motion of Mr. Rayner, the bill to incorporate adopted, and the bill passed its second reading. the Raleigh and Gaston Rail Road was taken up. Mr. Rayner replied at length to Mr. Stevenson in

Mr. Avery offered an amendment that the individual stockholders shall pay in the whole \$100,000. With this amendment he would support the bill. Mr. Hill of New Hanovor took the floor, and op-

SENATE.

FRIDAY, January 17, 1851. The Senate met according to adjournment REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

adjourned.

Mr. Barringer, from the committee on Propositions and Grievances, to whom was referred the memorial of sundry citizens of Caldwell and Watauga counties, Bower, Bunting, Bynum, G. W. Caldwell, Cameron, praying that a part of Caldwell be attached to Wa-Clarke, Collins, Drake, Hargrave, Herring, Hester, tauga, reported a bill for the purpose, and recom-

Thompson, Watson, Willey, Williamson, Wooten, ted the bill to regulate the proceedings when the es-NAYS-Menses. Bond, T. R. Caldwell, Eborn, mended its rejection. Laid on the table. Also, the Nays—Messrs. Bond, T. R. Caldwell, Eborn, mended its rejection. Laid on the table. Also, the Woodfin—10.

Nays—Messrs. Bond, T. R. Caldwell, Eborn, mended its rejection. Laid on the table. Also, the propriation, because he did not believe the State could thority of the same—three-fifths of the whole number of amending the Constitution was by legislative en-YEAS-Messrs. Barrrow, Barringer, Berry, Bower, charged from its further consideration. Discharged. emption from all other taxation, and asked to be dis- future period.

Collins, Drake, Hargrave, Herring, Hester, Hoke, provements, to which was referred the bill to incor-Jones, Nixon, Rogers, Shepard, Sherod, Speight, porate the Newbern Central Rail Road Company, Thompson, Watson, Williamson, Wooten, Canady, reported the same and recommended its passage. Laid on the table.

BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, &c. Lane, Lillington, Malloy, Pender, Richardson, Ses- not the manufacture of this State. Read first time. The third Resolution was then adopted, as follows: Wadesborough, was read the third time and ordered ed by the committee. The bill to incorporate a Bank in the town of Mr. Avery's amendment

Collins, Drake, Hargrave, Herring, Hester, Hoke, tions from the Commons [Mr. Erwin's] in relation Jones, Nixon, Richardson, Rogers, Shepard, Sherod, to a Tariff for protection, were taken up, and read the

NAYS-Messrs. Arendell, Bond, T. R. Caldwell, from the Commons, and was returned to that body for the necessary certificate of engrossment. BILLS ON THIRD READING.

The bill to lay off public roads in Rutherford County-the bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Jacksonville-the Resolution in relation to YEAS-Messrs. Barrow, Berry, Bower, Bunting, the State Arsenal-the Resolution authorizing the grange Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Governor's Creek Steam Trans-Haughton, Joyner, Lane, Pender, Sessoms, Wood- portation and Mining Company-and the bill to incorporate the Mining and Transportation Company,

were read three times and ordered to be engrossed. EQUAL SUFFRAGE. The Equal Suffrage bill, with the certificate of engrossment, was received from the Commons; and said bill was read the first time and passed. On motion of Mr. Barringer, said bill was made

Beaufort Counties—the bill to amend the Common —the bill to incorporate Contentnea Lodge I. O. O. School law—the Resolution in favor of Joseph King F.—the bill to incorporate Radianna Lodge—the bill -the bill to authorize Josiah O. Watson to erect a authorizing H. Anders to collect arrears of taxesdam on Neuse River-and the Resolution authoriz- the bill to incorporate the Dibble Steamboat Compaing the President and Directors of the Literary Fund, ny-the bill concerning deeds of trust and marriage if they may deem it expedient, to appropriate five settlements—the bill for the better regulation of the thousand dollars for the purpose of draining swamp Wardens of the Poor for the County of Duplin-the lands in the county of Carteret, known as the open bill to incorporate the Barrowdale Mining and Trans- Railroad to the Tennessee line, which, after some ground prairie, were each read three times and order- portation Company—the bill to extend the jurisdic- conversation was withdrawn. tion of Justices of the Peace in certain casss-the the Commercial Bank of Wilmington-the bill for a Virginia Company. ting a communication from his Excellency the Gov- the better protection of femes covert—and the bill to Mr. Stevenson advocated the amendment as being ernor, enclosing a letter from the British Consul at amend the act extending the limits of the town of the same that was added to the Seaboard and Roan-Charleston, relative to the police regulations of the Wilmington, were read three times and ordered to be oke Railroad, when offered for sale. The amendment

The bill requiring committees of finance to pass npon all County claims, was read the third time and

Mr. Eborn introduced a bill to amend and earry into effect the fifty-first section of the act incorporating the North Carolina Rail Road Company. The bill to compensate the Clerk of the Public Treasurer for additional duties required of him, was read the second time and passed—yeas 29, nays 13.

The Senate then took a recess. THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate re-assembled. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES. and Grievances, to whom was referred a Resolution Scott, Sharpe, Shinpock, Siler, Sloan, Steele, Swanrelating to the contested election before the Senate at ner, Thornburgh, Thornton, Tripp, Walton, Webb, the session of 1848-'9, from Orange county, between John Berry and Hugh Waddell, and instructing them to audit the amount of legal expenditures paid by

The Senate now took up the bill to change the fered, which were adopted, and the bill passed its its passage. Laid on the table. Also, reported a Williams of M., Winstead, Winston-17. Resolution in favor of Abram Rencher and Charles Manly, and recommended its passage. Read first

BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, &c. The bill to alter the line between the counties of Buncombe and Henderson, was read the third time their second reading. and ordered to be engrossed.

A number of bills, which will be noticed on their third reading, were read a second time and passed. large, but which was understood all the while as peculi- \$100,000 have been subscribed by individuals, pro- the second time. Mr. Sherod moved to amend the a resolution in favor of Wm. H. Whitson; a bill to arly favoring the mining and manufacturing interests of viding also for the appointment of Directors on the bill by striking out the 4th section, which was lost, incorporate the town of Taylorsville; a resolution in The bill was then rejected-yeas 13, nays 31.

The Senate adjourned. HOUSE OF COMMONS.

imports, beyond what may be absolutely necessary for an Mizell. The amendment was rejected-year 28, laws of ton timber. Referred to the committee on to incorporate the Tennessee River R. R. Co., in the Propositions and Grievances.

and Yanev counties. Read first time. to incorporate the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad, which after be taken up out of their regular order, which to the bill to lay off the County of Yadkin; a bill to cate that confidence in the people, by voting for Equal

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES. provements recommended the passage of the bill to to incorporate Tar River Academy; a bill relating to The special order for the day was taken up, being incorporate the Neuse River Navigation Company, the Salisbury Female Academy; a bill to incorporate the bill to incorporate the Portage Railroad, and the with an amendment giving the appointment of the the Western Plank Road Company; and a bill to incharacter, from the Commons, introduced into that Yadkin improvement, which after explanation of Mr. Directors on the part of the State to the Internal Improvement Board, which was adopted. On motion The bill to lay off a new County by the name of of Mr. Stevenson, the time allowed to the company Wilson was taken up and read, when WHEREAS, The Southern States of this Union have, act of 1846-'7 redistricting the State, was taken up to go into operation shall be twelve months, which Mr. Barnes of E. moved an amendment, to strike

to impose high taxes on importations from foreign tion being on the amendment offered by Mr. Saun- River Navigation Company, with certain amend- to a majority of the voters in the proposed new coun-

Also, recommended the passage of the bill to in- Mr. Taylor opposed the passage of the bill altocorporate the Anson Plank Road Company, which gether. was read the second time. Also asked to be discharged from the further con-

county relative to cutting a Canal from Goose Creek or not, as they wished. to Jones' Bridge, which report was concurred in. Also, against the passage of the bill to improve bill then passed its third reading-yeas 72, nays 18. Trent River, which on motion of Mr. Pigott, was The House, at 10 o'clock, adjourned. laid on the table.

Also, in favor of the passage of the bill to improve the Public Road from Salisbury to Rockford, which being amended, passed its second reading. Also, in favor of the bill to amend the act of 1848-'9. incorporating the Salisbury and Georgia line Turnpike road Company, which passed its second reading. Also, against the passage of the bill to lay off a

Rutherford county. Mr. Webb advocated the bill, when it was rejected—yeas 29, nays 68. Also, recommending the passage of the act to memorial of David Patton, late architect and superamend the act incorporating the Wilmington and intendent for the re-building the State Capitol, and Raleigh Rail Road Company. Mr. Rayner explain- asked to be discharged from the further consideration frage now, and they would be content. Equal Sufed the bill, and offered an amendment, which was of the subject. Discharged.

Also, in favor of the bill to improve the State road from Wilkesboro' by the way of Jefferson to the session of 1816-'7, to repeal the act establishing the Tennessee line, which was laid on the table. Also, recommended the passage of the bill to the session of 1848-'9, entitled an act supplemental

confirm the union of the Seaboard and Roanoke Rail- to an act passed the present session, repealing the law road, and the Roanoke Railroad Companies, and for establishing the County of Polk. Read first time. other purposes, which was laid on the table.

he gave way to a motion to adjourn, and the House corporate the North Carolina and Tennessee Railroad Laid on the table. Mr. Love moved to lay the bill on the table, on

> tion was lost-year 41, nays 60. A conversation followed between several gentle- made the special order for the day for Monday next. men as to the different motions offered. Finally Mr. Winston moved to strike out the 35th and 42d sec-

tions, being the sections authorizing appropriations to nounced as the special order of the day the engrossed be made by the State. Mr. Erwin said that they would take a naked char- the State. The bill is as follows: ter if they could not do better. Mr. Avery said he Whereas, the freehold qualification now required

bill, but as the House was not disposed to listen to flicts with the fundamental principles of liberty: speeches at this stage of the session, he would not Therefore, insist on occupying the floor.

several Bank charters are only premiums paid for the now bear the expense. He did not wish to be con- of members of each house concuring—That the sec-After ineffectual attempts to amend it, the second banking privileges granted, or as a guarantied ex-

> nays 19. On motion of Mr. Avery the bill was laid on the table, and made the order for Monday next. RALEIGH AND GASTON RAIL ROAD.

Gaston Railroad Company.

Mr. Hill of New Hanover, then took the floor and concluded from yesterday his remarks in opposition State be, and he is hereby directed to issue his proto the Road.

Hanover proposed to do with the Road.

House took a recess. THREE O'CLOCK, P. M. postponed until to-morrow evening, and the Raleigh houses of the respective counties in this State, at and Gaston Rail Road taken up. The question be- least six months before the election of members to ing taken on Mr. Avery's amendment it was adopted the next General Assembly.

that the Company shall subscribe and pay in \$100.-000, which was adopted. Mr. Saunders of Wake, an amendment to allow

ninety days, instead of sixty days, which was agreed

them. Afterwards they were both withdrawn.

Mr. Love moved to lay the bill on the table, which motion was lost-yeas 10, nays 94. Mr. Love offered an amendment that the State should subscribe \$2,000,000 towards extending the Central

Mr. Powers offered an amendment as an additiona bill for the better administration of justice in Carter- section, proposing that the Legislature should reserve at County-the bill to amend the act establishing entire control of the Road, should it be purchased by

was lost-yeas 17, nays 87.

Mr. Brogden offered an amendment, that only those obligors should be released, and only to the extent, that they subscribed to the re-construcion of the road. This amendment was lost. The question was then taken on the bill as amend-

ed, when it passed its second reading-yeas 56, nays 41, as follows: YEAS-Messrs, Adams, Amis, Avery, Barco, Blow, Bogle, Bond, Caldwell of G., Campbell, Cherry, Davidson, Douthit, Drake, Dunlap, Durham, Eaton, Eure, Fleming, Foard, Foster of D., Gordon, Har- be as easy to carry all of them as to carry one. rison, Hayes of Cherokee, Hayes of Caldwell, Hill

of C., Jarvis, Johnston, Jones, Leach of D., Locke. McKoy, Newsom, Parham, Patterson, Pegram. Poole, Mr. Barringer, from the committee on Propositions Rayner, Rollins, Rutlin, Russell, Saunders of W.,

Wiggins, Wiley and Wilson-56. NAYS-Messrs. Barnes of N., Boykin, Brazier, Bridgers, Brogden, Cockerham, Erwin, Flynt, Foneach of said parties for the attendance of witnesses, ville, Hackney, Herring, Hill, of N.H. Holland, Kal-&c.—reported Resolutions in favor of the said Berry lum, Kelly, Leach of J., Love, Marshall, Martin, Mathis, Maultsby, McDowell, McLean McMillan-N. McNeill, W. McNeill, Mizell, Person of N., Mr. Woodfin, from the Judiciary committee, re- Pigott, Pope, Powers, Rankin, Reinhardt, Saunderported the bill to establish a Superior Court of Law son, Sheek, Sherard, Simmons, Stevenson, Stowe. and Equity for Watauga county, and recommended Sutton, Taylor, Thigpen, Waugh, Williams of G.,

The House then took a recess.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M. Twenty-six engressed bills from the Senate were read the first time. [These bills will be noticed on

BILLS ON THIRD READING. The following bills were read the third time and passed; A bill to lay off a road from Marion to the The bill for the improvement of ship navigation top of Iron Mountain; a bill to allow the State to favor of J. G. Dickson; a resolution in favor of H. D. Spivey; a resolution in favor of John N. Curtis: a bill to repeal the law inspecting staves; a resolution tain resolution introduced by nimself, which motion slave, and her child Laura; a bill to improve Upper was lost-a general wish being expressed to go on Little River in the County of Cumberland; resolutions relative to a hydrographic survey of the waters Mr. Powers offered a bill to amend the inspection between Pamlico Sound and Beaufort harbor; a bill lay off a road from Taylorsville to Caldwell county; a resolution in favor of Susannah Fox; a bill to incor-Mr. Rayner from the committee on Internal Im- porate the Roanoke Valley Railroad Company; a bill

was agreed to. The bill then passed its second read- out the clause leaving the erection of the new county to a majority of the voters in Edgecombe, Wayne, their wishes in the matter. Also in favor of the bill to incorporate the Haw Johnston and Nash, and to insert a clause leaving it ments, which were adopted, and the bill passed its ty. Mr. Barnes said as the bill stood now it was

Mr. Sherard hoped the amendment would be adopted. He thought it perfectly right that the people

sideration of a memorial from citizens of Beaufort within the proposed new County, should have one The amendment was lost-yeas 40, nays 52. The

SENATE. SATURDAY, January 18, 1851. The Senate met according to adjournment. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. Woodfin from the committee on Judiciary, reported the bill authorizing the election of magistrates in Onslow, and recommended its passage. Ordered to road from Cane Creek to Whitesides settlement in lie on the table. Mr. Drake, from Committee on Claims, reported unfavorably the message from the Governor with the

> BILLS, &c. Mr. Bynum, a bill to repeal the act passed at the

County of Polk, and also to repeal the act passed at Mr. Bynum, sundry memorials from Rutherford

The engrossed bill relative to purchasers of Cherokee lands, securing debts due the State and authoriwhich Mr. Pope called the year and nays. The mo- zing the sale of lands surrendered to the State under the acts of 1814-'5 and 1846-'7, was read 2d time and

> EQUAL SUFFRAGE. The hour of eleven having arrived, the Speaker anbill from the Commons, to amend the Constitution of

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State The appropriation was then struck out-year 84, North Carolina on the second Monday of November,

tled to vote for a member of the Senate. Be it further enacted, That the Governor of the clamation to the people of North Carolina, at least six proposed; which proclamation shall be accompanied advocated his amendment, and at the conclusion of Mr. Saunders of W. replied briefly, when the by a true and perfect copy of the bill authenticated his remarks the Senate took a recess. by the certificate of the Secratary of State, and both the proclamation and the copy of this bill the Governor of the State shall cause to be published in all On motion of Mr. Cherry, the special order was the newspapers of this State, and posted in the court

-yeas 62. nays 38. The question then recurring on Mr. Barringer offered an amendment providing for the Speight, Thompson, Washington, Watson, Willey, rate Person Lodge—the bill to incorporate the Lawilliamson, Wooten, and Watt—35.

Washington, Watson, Willey, rate Person Lodge—the bill to incorporate the Lagrange Mining and Transportation Company the was carried—years 52, nays 48.

Washington, Watson, Watson, Willey, rate Person Lodge—the bill to incorporate the Lagrange Mining and Transportation Company the ding the Constitution by legislative enactment, and ding the Constitution by legislative enactment, and the right to vote also for Senators. Commons voters Mr. Avery offered a further amendment providing in favor of an open Convention. If such a Convenwere required to have paid public taxes, but this bill section, providing that the Stockholders shall have tion could not be had, then he would go for carrying made no such provision. He proposed to remedy power to change the Western terminus of the Rail out certain measures-Equal Suffrage, Judges by the this by the amendment. people, &c. in this way. In that event, he should the commissioners to keep books of subscription open | prefer to see all these measures included in one bill.

The bill, on motion of Mr. Hill of New Hanover, was further amended so that if books were re-opened ment was wrong, as had been argued in certain quarthey should be kept 'open only until the first of Oc-Chowan Steamboat Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining the Seaboard and Roanoke Rail Road Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Transportation Company—the bill to incorporate the Pittsborough Mining and Tra

bill to run the boundary line between Craven and the Deep River Mining and Transportation Company sold. Mr. Rayner proposed to reduce it to \$363,000. guments against the mode, it struck him, were there- and if adopted, as he hoped it would be, the question Mr. Barnes of Northampton, opposed these amendments, and Messrs. Avery and Rayner supported to advance one or all of these measures, let him keep principle would be satisfied. fore irrelevant. If the Senator from Cadart him keep principle would be satisfied, without a Convention. to advance one or all of these measures, let fill keep principle would be satisfied, without a Convention. them separate, and let each measure stand or fall upon its own merits. This was the true course. He said if a bill had been prepared including Equal should therefore vote against the proposition of the Suffrage, Judges and Justices by the people, it would senator—not because he was opposed to it—but betion clogged or embarrassed.

Mr. Speight said the proposed amendment in the beautiful based on the should hold them responsible for a part of a measure which it required three-fifths of this omission. He argued in fewer of a fewer the Senate to adopt. This would be unjust. He ures together. He argued in favor of a Convention concurred with the Senator from Edgecombe that on the Pederal basis, and endeavored to show, tothese questions ought to go into separate bills, and wards the conclusion of his remarks, that if the presthese questions ought to go into separate onis, and then stand or fall upon their own intrinsic merits. ent bill should be adopted it would so change the Suppose all these measures submitted to the people Constitution as to permit free negroes to vote for Suppose all these measures submitted to the population of the said, was a specimen of the atin one bill—what would be the result: what would be the result: would want Equal Suffrage, but not Judges and Justices and the Constitution by legislative entices by the people, and others would want Justices actment. by the people, and nothing else, while others would Mr. Caldwell of M., spoke briefly in reply to Mr. by the people, and nothing else, while outers would desire Judges and be averse to both Justices by the Gilmer, explaining the bill and showing the absuring the people and Equal Suffrage; and in this general clash ty of the declaration that free negroes might be alof public sentiment, all these measures might be de-

Mr. Caldwell of Burke, spoke briefly in favor of amendment. If a man had paid tax once, he was en-Mr. Caldwell of Burke, spoke blinky in as for all titled always thereafter to vote; and he could not bethese measures in one bill. If any, all. It would

in favor of all these measures. 'Mr. Kelly replied, tax be demandable? that if certain amendments were adopted, and he could be sure that agitation would cease thereafter,

Mr. Caldwell of Mecklenburg said it was obvious that these amendments were designed to defeat Equal Suffrage, and he therefore appealed to every friend of freeholders of the East were satisfied with the Con-

Mr. Barringer offered another amendment, providing for the election of Judges of the Supreme and Superior Courts by the people. Mr. Bond spoke in favor of this amendment, and was briefly replied to by Mr. Speight.

Mr. Haughton advocated the amendment. tion. He would rather trust the people to elect the help it. He held to the rule that no man should have Judges than to trust either party in the Legislature. the power to tax him, who did not himself pay Mr. Speight asked Mr. Haughton if he was in fa- taxes. Was he to abandon the rights of property, vor of Equal Suffrage. If he was, why not take and let these people, who owned no property, con-

that in a separate bill, and put the Judges in another trol every thing? If this was to be the principle es-Mr. Haughton said his vote would show his position on Equal Suffrage. He had not said he should

vote against it. Mr. Hoke said it was apparent that party capital was the object of these movements on the part of cer- by a large majority. He should vote for the bill. tain Senators. If they were sincere in their advoca-Mr. Mizell moved to take up and consider a cer- in favor of Jesse Silvr; a bill to emancipate Lucy, a cy of Judges and Justices by the people, why did they not bring forward separate bills for this purpose? The Senate was open to them, and their bills would be heard and acted on. He knew that this was a bitter pill to some of these gentlemen-all the measures together made up a bitter pill for some of liamson, Wooten, Watt-29. Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Erwin a bill to appoint three commissioners to and Currituck Canal Company; resolutions instruction in land claims in Buncombe ing Adjutant General to get muster rolls from Washington, Willey, Lane, Lillington, Malloy, Pender, County of Macon; a bill to incorporate the American Land Company; resolutions instructions in land claims in Buncombe ing Adjutant General to get muster rolls from Washington, Willey, Lane, Lillington, Malloy, Pender, County of Macon; a bill to incorporate the American Land Company; resolutions instructions in land claims in Buncombe ing Adjutant General to get muster rolls from Washington, Willey, Vender, County of Macon; a bill to incorporate the American Land Company; resolutions instructions in land claims in Buncombe ing Adjutant General to get muster rolls from Washington, Willey, Vender, County of Macon; a bill to incorporate the American Land Company; resolutions instructions in land Currituck Canal Company; resolutions instructions in land claims in Buncombe ing Adjutant General to get muster rolls from Washington, Washington, Willey, Woodfin—20. Suffrage. Now was the time.

Mr. Shepard said that at the proper time he might Speaker announced that the bill was rejected. vote for electing Judges by the people; and as to Equal Suffrage, if he thought innovation would stop at that, he might vote for it also. If the basis of representation could be preserved, he might go for this change; but he was averse to any thing calcu- Senator had voted in the Constitutional majority. A lated to pave the way for disturbing the taxation or motion to re-consider must come from the prevailing Federal basis. This basis was secured to us already, side. and as long as we had that he was satisfied. Still, he was disposed to go for such reforms as the people cal- and after some discussion, on motion of Mr. Cald-

Mr. Woodfin said he was for Equal Saffrage, and for all the measures alluded to. He was pledged to all. He spoke at some length in favor of an open Convention, as the best means for settling all these questions; and in the course of his remarks he alluded to what he considered a defect it the present bill. He said it did not provide that the Senatorial voter should pay taxes before voting. A provision of this sort

should be inserted.

Mr. Clark said it was in contemplation to offer an amendment of this sort at the proper time. Mr. Caldwell of Mecklenburg, again took the floor, and in the course of his remarks he warned Eastern Senators against defeating this bill. Though a Western man, he had always stood up for the present Judiciary. basis of representation, and he had therefore a right to speak freely to Eastern Senators. A large portion of the Western people were opposed to disturbing the compromises of the Constitution; but they were determined to have Equal Suffrage, and if this measure should be defeated by Eastern men, there would be a strong and growing demand for an open Convention. The East, by defeating this bill, might lose the basis. For his part, he should continue to stand by the basis as it is; but he could not tell what the Western people would do. Give them Equal Sufbeen for it. Ten years ago, while a member of the

the Constitution in this respect. He never rode hob- ments. bies, but principles. Mr. Haughton said he had heard with much satisfaction the remarks of the Senator from Mecklenburg. That Senator had no concealments—he spoke frankly and fully, and he admired him for it. Now is the time, Also, recommended the passage of the bill to in- County, praying the restoration of the County of Polk. said Mr. H. He appealed to Senators in favor of an onen Convention, to come to the rescue now. He argued at some length in favor of an open Convention; and the drift of his argument was, that if this bill could be defeated an open Convention would be the result. He said the central part of State would

basis, and would do justice to all sections of the State. Mr. Shepard remarked, in reply to the Senator from Mecklenburg, that he had no fears that an open Convention would be called. The East would prevent it, if true to themselves. He could not be frightened into any thing. If these measures were to be was prepared to address the House in support of the for the electors for members of the Senate, con- carried out, the seople ought to have an opportunity of voting on them separately. To put Equal Suffrage, Judges and Justices in one bill, and submit these questions in that way to the people, would be

actment, in separate bills. He said if the East ever went into open Conventhe amended Constitution, ratified by the people of tion, the basis would fall. Eastern men in Virginia had given way on this subject, and the same thing would A. D. 1835, be amended by striking out the words be witnessed here. He held that the Legislature could -"and possessed of a freehold within the same dis- not limit a Convention of the people. If amenducation, in relief of the Treasury and public burdens trict, of fifty acres of land for six months next before ments were desired of a particular character, they and at the day of election;" so that the said clause must be obtained by bill; if amendments generally The unfinished business of yesterday was taken of said section, shall read as follows: 2. All freemen were demanded, a Convention must be had to carry up, being the bill to incorporate the Raleigh and of the age of twenty-one years (except as is hereinafter declared) who have been inhabitants of any one vote for all these measures in separate bills; but pub-Mr. Saunders of W. signified his acceptance of district within the State, twelve months immediate- lic opinion in his District had undergone but little people was taken up, and put on the regular file of lic opinion in his District had undergone but little bills, on their second reading.

Mr. Avery's amendment to the amendments propos- ly preceding the day of any election, shall be enti- lied to vote for a member of the Second reading.

Mr. Tripp presented a memorial from citizens of the Second reading the day of the Second reading. its developments and direction.

Mr. Barringer's second amendment was then voted Mr. Bynum offered an amendment, proposing to Mr. Rayner inquired what she gentleman from New months before the next election, for members of the leave the question of Convention or no Convention to General Assembly, setting forth the purport of this the people, and suggesting a method by which to as-Mr. Hill in reply said be would cut it off at Hen- bill and the amendment to the Constitution herein certain their wishes on the subject. Mr. Bynum

> THREE O'CLOCK, P. M. The Senate re-assembled, and took up the bill providing for an amendment of the State Constitution. Mr. Clark moved to amend the first section of the bill by inserting after the words "day of election" the words "and shall have paid public taxes."

Mr. Clark said his amendment would explain itself. Equal Suffrage, as he had always understood alter and amend the act incorporating the Fayetteville it, was to consist in granting to the Commons voters and Western Plank Road Company.

He said the people of the State were in favor of Mr. Waugh moved to amend by inserting an addi establishing this great principle of Equal Suffrage, tional section, that the Stockholders in General Meet Mr. Clark said all he desired was to see gentlemen and it was due to them to provide for this change. ing shall have power to alter the direction of the root meet these questions in the proper way. If the plan No Senator here had denounced the principle of Equal west or north-west of Johnsonville.

cause he did not wish the question under consideraa bill had not been prepared ? It was the fault of Mr. Speight said the proposed amendment might the Democrats. They had the majority in both

lowed to vote under it. He said, in addition to this. that he could not see the necessity for Mr. Clark's lieve that any man would vote in the Senate alone to save his tax, even if this construction of the bill should Mr. Kelly spoke briefly to the same effect. Mr. be admitted. And if required to pay tax before votlog for members of both Houses, would not a double

After a conversational debate between Messrs. Caldwell of M., Bynum, Kelly, and Hoke, Mr. his vote might show that the Senator from Mecklen- Clark's amendment was adopted—yeas 30, nays 15. Mr. Joyner then rose and spoke in a very excited

strain against the bill under consideration, and in opposition generally to Equal Suffrage. He said the the measure to rally to it and vote these amendments stitution as it was in this respect, and that most of the noise in the East in favor of Equal Suffrage, was The amendment was then voted down—yeas 22, occasioned by men who owned no property, and never expected to own any. So long as he retained his senses, he would never vote to take out of the hands of the freeholders the control of their property, and give that control to the non-landholders. He argued at some length in favor of the discrimination in the Constitution against the non-landholders, and said that he did not intend that people who paid no taxes should hold gentlemen up to the mark on this ques- should have the control of his property, if he could

> tablished, we might as well give up the government at once to destruction. Mr. Sherod said he differed with the Senator from Halifax. His County-the landholders as well as the non-landholders-were in favor of Equal Suffrage

> The vote was then taken, as follows: YEAS-Messrs. Arendell, Barnard, Barrow, Berry, Bower, Bunting, G. W. Caldwell, Cameron, Canady, Clarke, Collins, Drake, Eborn, Hargrave, Herring, Hester, Hoke, Jones, McMillan, Nixon, Rogers, Sherod, Speight, Thomas, Thompson, Watson, Wil-

The Constitutional majority of three-fifths of the whole Senate not having voting in the affirmative, the

Mr. Joyner then rose and said: "Glory enough for one day, Mr. Speaker -- I move we adjourn." Mr. Hoke moved to reconsider, but the Speaker ruled the motion out of order, on the ground that the

Mr. Hoke appealed from the decision of the Chair, led for, if he could know, clearly and undoubtedly, well of M., the appeal was laid upon the table-

yeas 26, navs 23. HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mr. Hill of New Hanover presented the memorial of Isaac Scott, a free negro of Wilmington, claiming a pension for services rendered in 1831 in ferreting out a negro conspiracy, which was referred to the committee on Propositions and Grievances. Mr. Winston, a bill to amend the act incorporating the town of Windsor. Read and laid on the table. Mr. Love, a bill to incorporate the Rich Mountain

Turnpike Company, in the county of Haywood. Referred to the committee on Internal Improvements. Mr. Jones a bill to prevent the emancipation of slaves by will. Referred to the committee on the Also, a bill to authorize J. C. Turrentine to collect arrears of taxes in Orange and Alamance. Referred to the committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Mr. Hackney a bill concerning Pilots; that vessels coming over the bar of Cape Fear River after coal, shall be compelled to take pilots. Referred to the committee on Propositions and Grievances. Mr. Leach of Johnston, a bill to provide for felling dead timber within 80 feet of the public roads in the

State. Read and laid on the table. Mr. Mizell a bill to amend the Constitution of the State, so that the Legislature shall not have power to frage was no new principle to him. He had always appropriate a larger sum than \$100,000 for any work of Internal Improvement. Referred, on motion of Commons, he had offered a bill proposing to change Mr. Steele, to the committee on Internal Improve-

Mr. Leach of Davidson, presented the following Resolutions, which were read the first time : WHEREAS, The public domain of the United States is the common property of all the States, purchased and procured by the common efforts and common treasure of those States, and in which each and all are fairly entitled to participate; and any appropriation of the public lands to particular States for specific and partial purposes in those States, is creative of unequal, unjust and improper discrimination in the oppose, in that Convention, any interference with the has been made, and the practice recently obtained in use of a common fund; and whereas, the precedent the Congress of the United States, of granting immense donations of the public lands to particular States for purposes of improvement and public edu-

> and fraternal feeling ceded to the General Government a large and valuable portion of the public Territory, and is therefore, upon every principle of justice equality and policy, fairly and legitimately entitled to her equal share of the public lands; therefore, Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to make application to that body for an appropriation to the State of North Carolina, of a fair and equitable portion of the public lands, which, when so appropriated, shall be applied to purposes of Internal Improvements and public ed-

cation in those States; and whereas, the State of

North Carolina, in the spirit of generous patriotism

to that amount. Mr. Eaton, a bill concerning orders of publication. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Caldwell of Rowan, the bill giving the election of school Committee-men to the

Mr. Tripp presented a memorial from citizens of Beaufort, paying that free negroes shall not be allowed to carry fire-arms. Referred to the committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Forsythe, praying an alteration in the direction of the Fayetteville and Western Plank Road, which was laid on the table. Mr. Fleming, a memorial from citizens of Jonesborough, Tennessee, praying the speedy completion of the Caldwell and Ashe Turnpike Company, and also praying a repeal of the law imposing a tax on

Mr. Waugh memorials from citizens of Surry and

horse and hog drovers. Referred to the committee, on Internal Improvements. The Speaker proceeded to call the committees, when Mr. Scott, from the committee on Internal Improvements, reported in favor of the passage of the bill to

Mr. Caldwell of R. moved to strike out the fifth oad, which motion prevailed.

Mr. Caldwell of R. opposed the change of the route, and wished a delay of two years at least